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1. U.S. Patent Application No. 5,918,019, issued to Valencia and published June 29, 1999.
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3. “A formal description of the DTE packet level in the X.25 recommendation”  
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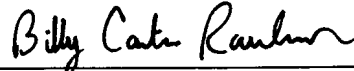
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